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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD OF SEARCHING SIMILAR DOCUMENT, SYSTEM FOR PERFORMING THE SAME AND PROGRAM FOR PROCESSING THE SAME

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